



Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Sweet Hour of Prayer

Katia Dinas

Mark Hayes

GTG 624

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

TOULON

Rich Lewis, Lay Liturgist

Hear, O Israel: the Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all you heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Deuteronomy 6:4,5 You shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord. Leviticus 19:18

♦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Good and upright is the Lord.

- People: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- Leader: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness.
- People: Redeem your people, O God, out of all our troubles.

OPENING HYMN

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

CALL TO CONFESSION

The prophet Amos used a plumb line to reveal the personal and systemic sin of the people. We waver from the ways of Jesus. Let us confess the limits we place on our love, trusting in the limitless mercy and steadfast love of God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God of all creation, there are people we pass by, some are family and friends, others are neighbors, many are strangers. Have mercy upon us. The reasons we pass by have mostly to do with our fear, judgment, inadequacies, apathy. Rescue us from the power of our sin, O Righteous One of all generations. Pour out justice on us, rather than judgment, that we would be moved with pity, and spurred to action; that we would hear of the hope that you give, and share it with others; that we would shower mercy and kindness on all we encounter, even as we have received forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Children of the Most High, we are forgiven in Christ and have been brought into the realm of God. Be filled with spiritual wisdom, lead lives worthy of your inheritance, bear fruit in all you say and do and think. God has rescued us and redeemed us from our sins, setting aside judgment to shower us with mercy. In the Spirit, we will go and do likewise. Thanks be to God!

♦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

Shout for Joy to the Lord

Shout for joy to the Lord, ye people. Fill the earth with a sound of praise. Lift His name with a glad thanksgiving. Sing His song for all your days.

Sing for joy to the Lord, ye people. Ever let your song be heard. Praise His name with the sound of singing. With one voice proclaim His word.

Make glad song with the sound of the trumpet. With the horn declare His praise. On the harp sound forth His goodness. Ever let your songs proclaim.

Shout for joy, sing an alleluia. Praise the Lord, amen, amen. (Alleluia, praise Him, amen, amen.) Fill the earth with the sounds of glory. Praise the Lord, amen, amen.

Make glad song with the sound of the trumpet. With the horn declare His praise. On the harp sound forth His goodness. Ever let your songs proclaim.

Shout for joy to the Lord, ye people. Fill the earth with a sound of praise. Lift His name with a glad thanksgiving. Sing His song for all your days. Sing and shout for joy, for joy, shout for joy!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Colossians 1:1-14

SECOND READING

Luke 10:25-37

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

A Brief Statement of Faith. 11.4

"The Gospel According to Jesus: Doing Compassion and Kindness"

RESPONDING

♦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

♦ HYMN OF MEDITATION

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

OFFERING

Offertory	Echo	J.S. Bach/Lani Smith
Doxology	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	GTG 606

Prayer of Dedication

O God who gives, may these offerings be used to bring justice to the weak, fairness to the outcast, connection to the disconnected, and hope to the needy. We dedicate ourselves to the power of Spirit through Christ Jesus. Amen.

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GERMANY

Douglas Nolan

SENDING

♦ HYMN OF DEDICATION

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

♦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

You Shall Go Out with Joy

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy

♦ Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal

We now have online giving available. Just scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phone or go to our website and click the "Give Now" button. <u>www.FaithUnited-pc.com</u> You will have the option to set up your giving profile. This will make it easy to login anytime you are ready to give, even designated giving like Special Offerings, Building Repairs or the Garage Fund. **You can also select to donate the 2% fee so Faith United does not incur it.**





Pastor Ken and Barbara will be leaving for vacation following today's worship service. Part of their time away will be spent at a family reunion for Barbara's side in Wrightsville Beach, NC (Wilmington). Pastor Ken will return to the office July 26. Pastoral emergencies or concerns can be left with Brenda in the church office, 972-243-2866.

PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz Tom Duell Mike Jones David Duell Dennis Van Deventer George & Mozelle Mills

Homebound or Recovering: Freddie Simmons, Charley Rae Furrh (Terri Russell's cousin)

Pastor Ken will be taking a vacation break in the midweek devotional series on prayer, based on the Ten Commandments. There will be no offering on July 13 or 20. A new video offering will be posted July 27 to the church's Facebook page and YouTube channel. Join us and spread the word! Someone who is not part of our church might be interested!





Chapel Hill Preparatory School —It's time to start collecting school supplies for the next school year. We start in July so the teachers will not have to purchase them during the summer. When you're out shopping, how about picking up some things from the supply list that will be available on the collection table near the Church Office. Please take a supply list packet so you can purchase the correct items and brands. We will collect items through Sunday, August 7. Supplies will be delivered to the school the week of August 8.

GTG 700 I'M GONNA LIVE

GTG 80 THE TREES OF THE FIELD

OPENING HYMN



The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.

TEXT: *Psalms,* Strasbourg, 1545; trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551 HYMN of MEDITATION



- 5 O Master, from the mountainside, make haste to heal these hearts of pain; among these restless throngs abide; O tread the city's streets again;
- 6 Till all the world shall learn your love, and follow where your feet have trod; till glorious from your heaven above shall come the city of our God.

Because dense populations always result in concentrated hardships, this vivid yet timeless evocation of urban need connects to our own day as well as to Jesus' lament over Jerusalem (Matthew 23:37/Luke 13:34). This tune was the first used with this text and is now customary.

HYMN of DEDICATION



This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

I'M GONNA LIVE Irregular

TEXT: African American spiritual

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Wendell P. Whalum, 1984 Music Arr. © Estate of Wendell P. Whalum

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